The policies of the great powers have consistently followed the line of least resistance, and this line leads to an unlimited arms race. I do not believe that America can be made secure by keeping ahead in such an arms race.

—Leo Szilard, April 1962
THANK YOU, SUPPORTERS!
The Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation expresses its sincerest gratitude to our many supporters. We are especially grateful for significant and impactful gifts from:

OUR WORK
The Council’s work continues to take two primary forms: lobbying on Capitol Hill and endorsement of and raising funds for Congressional candidates that support our vision of a world without nuclear weapons.

The Council’s advocacy on Capitol Hill continues to lead the fight against new nuclear weapons and wasteful Pentagon spending.

Our legislative analyses on topics including the National Nuclear Security Administration budget request and the defense spending that was inserted into coronavirus relief funding proposals were circulated widely on Capitol Hill and used to continue fighting for smart policies that reduce nuclear threats and work to right-size the Pentagon budget. The Council continues to coordinate the non-proliferation community’s advocacy and outreach through the hosting of weekly campaign calls meant to reinforce community efforts, communications and legislative outreach to maximize our collective impact.

Furthermore, we keep our members and the public informed about national security legislation through our weekly legislative calendar updates. These emails detail the congressional business that will impact nuclear weapons policy and national security.

I am truly proud of the work we did in 2020 and want to share with you some of the accomplishments your support helped make possible.

- Endorsed 54 Congressional candidates who believe in building a world free from the dangers posed by nuclear weapons and raised more than $1.5 million from individual donors for 2020 candidates who support that vision.

- Endorsed our first ever presidential candidate, Joe Biden, whom we have supported as a champion of arms control since his first Senate bid in 1972.

- Helped elect a progressive majority to the House and Senate that will aid the Biden agenda.

- Led and coordinated the efforts of community-wide initiatives to reduce nuclear weapons spending, cut wasteful Pentagon initiatives, and build a more progressive national security policy.

- Met with more than 70 Congressional offices to push for saner nuclear policies, budget cuts and a diplomacy-first approach to U.S. foreign policy.

- Led the fight to cut President Trump’s new low-yield nuclear missile and push back against new wasteful nuclear weapons and missile defense investments.

- Worked with the Biden transition team to promote a public vision of his nuclear and national security policies that has been cited by major news outlets via our presidential candidate questionnaire program.

- Added to the most diverse board of directors in the Council’s history.

For many of us, 2020 was a year of hardship, loss, unknowns, and significant change. More Americans died from a virus than in combat in all the U.S. wars of the 20th and 21st centuries, and we saw the very foundations of our democracy shaken by unrest and insurrection. But it was also a year of strenuous hard work, dedication, and perseverance, in which we were able to push back against the worst of our time, and fight to build new opportunities and take part in critical conversations about what truly makes Americans — and the world — safer. Together, we have all adapted to a “new normal” and we will continue to adapt to the next phase of this pandemic.

There is a lot of work ahead, and the challenges posed by nuclear hawks in Congress and the Pentagon will only become more intense as we stray dangerously close to a new Cold War with China, but we are on a strong foundation to push ahead through 2021 and the future.

With your continued support, we can build a more livable world.

Sincerely,

John Tierney
Executive Director
Member of Congress, 1997-2015
### REACH

Members, who pay $5 annually to maintain their membership, can contribute to the Council’s Candidate Fund, a political action committee that the Council uses to help our endorsed candidates in tight races as each election cycle nears its end.

### OUR LEGACY

Since 1962, the Council for a Livable World has helped to elect 400 members of Congress who are supportive of principled national security and foreign policy positions, including arms control.

Council members and supporters provide more funds to candidates than any other organization focused on nuclear weapons issues. Together with our members and friends, the Council raised $1.5 million for endorsed candidates in 2020.

Along with its sister organization, the Center for Arms Control and Non-Proliferation, Council for a Livable World has been at the forefront of U.S. arms control and national security policy for more than half a century.

The Council works directly with Congress to advocate for sensible national security policies and arms control. Some notable accomplishments include ratification of the New START treaty with Russia, establishing a U.S. nuclear testing moratorium, and supporting the Iran nuclear negotiations.

### CANDIDATES SUPPORTED

Throughout the 2020 election cycle, the Council endorsed candidates who support smart nuclear arms control and non-proliferation policies, and ultimately prioritize diplomacy over war.

We were proud to have endorsed 55 candidates this past cycle, including our first ever presidential endorsee, President Joe Biden. Of these, 36 were elected to office with help from the $1.5 million we were able to raise from conduit donations from individuals who believe in the importance of a world free from the dangers of nuclear weapons.
The Council’s audited financials and 990s are available on our website.

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